



INSIGHTS



QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER | WINTER 2021-22

Celebrating **10 YEARS** of Service



A Message FROM THE **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Ilene Harper, PhD, Executive Director, Family Life and Community Resource Center

Throughout another different year with COVID-19, FLCRC has remained committed to providing services and assisting families. We held several events **servicing 398 families and 110 crime victims in 2021**. In-person events were tremendously impacted this year; however, our **Youth Ambassador Leadership Education (Y.A.L.E.)** students still managed to earn 538 service-learning volunteer hours, completed 15 service projects, and interviewed for several scholarships.

We were delighted to host our **5th Annual Banquet** in-person with 130 attendees to celebrate our students. The Y.A.L.E. leaders showcased their service-learning activities, interacted with guests, and were engaged with an amazing keynote message from Mr. Cedrick LeFleur.

We are very excited and ready for 2022. On January 22nd, FLCRC will host our **Y.A.L.E. Orientation meeting** to welcome new students to the group.

FLCRC's **Family First: New Triumphs Capital Campaign** is well on the way and very close to reaching our \$125,000 goal for this fiscal year. We are celebrating 10 years of service this year and anticipate moving into the new building this spring. FLCRC's new facility will have several counseling offices, a computer room, meeting room and a multi-purpose room for client services. To learn more about the Capital Campaign, download the **FLCRC App** or visit the **FamilyLifeCRC.org** website.

Top: A conceptual rendering of the foyer in our new location, scheduled to open in 2022. Bottom left: Y.A.L.E. students posed with their certificates of achievement at the FLCRC 5th Annual Banquet on December 2nd. Bottom right: A view of banquet guests seated at the sold-out event.

FLCRC FIFTH ANNUAL BANQUET

A Sold-Out Evening!

On **Thursday, December 2nd**, 130 FLCRC staff and supporters gathered to celebrate another year serving Fort Bend County. The event included highlights from 2021, Y.A.L.E. leaders' showcase, scholarships and awards presentations, CSSJ chapter members recognitions, a silent auction, and an inspiring keynote message from entrepreneur and businessman **Cedrick LaFleur**. FLCRC was honored to present the **1st Annual Dakota Merriweather scholarship award**. Attendees also got a preview of the upcoming year.

Congratulations to our Scholarship and Award recipients (pictured below) and FLCRC Volunteer of the Year, **Mrs. Jackie Thomas**. A special thank you to our staff members and sponsors for making this event possible. Here's to a fantastic 2022!



2021 SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARD RECIPIENTS



Jahanna Daniels
Pre-Y.A.L.E. Service Learning Award



Terri Brown
Pre-Y.A.L.E. Service Learning Award



Trinity Brown
Y.A.L.E. Leader of the Year Scholarship



Vonshea Little
FLCRC Service Learning Scholarship



Aijia Yu
FLCRC Outstanding Senior Scholarship



Paul Delesbore, Jr.
FLCRC Outstanding College Student Scholarship



Jesus Diaz
The Hildred Jones-Drain Community Scholarship



Landon Bean
The Dakota Merriweather Scholarship

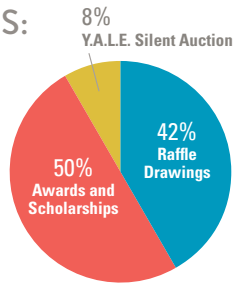
Feedback from our Y.A.L.E. LEADERS

Current and post-graduate Youth Ambassador Leadership Education (Y.A.L.E.) student leaders shared their feedback on the program in two questionnaires conducted at the end of the year. Their responses will help FLCRC identify the strengths of the program and areas for improvement.

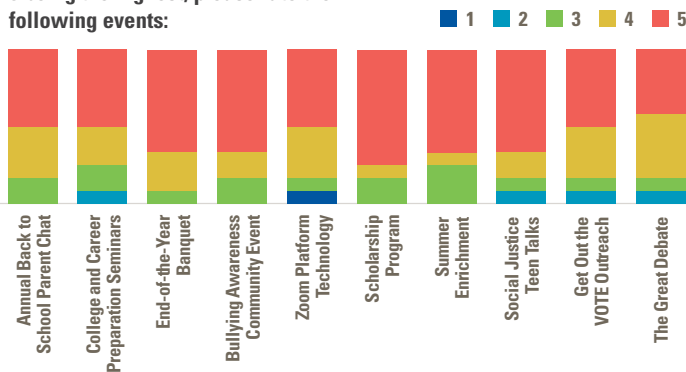
CURRENT Y.A.L.E. LEADERS:

Which of the following Banquet activities did you enjoy the most?

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| Awards and Scholarships | F.L.C.R.C. and Y.A.L.E. Video Highlights |
| Y.A.L.E. Presentations | Raffle Drawings for Playstation and Bonus Prizes |
| Keynote Speaker | |
| Y.A.L.E. Silent Auction | |



On a rating scale of 1-5 with 5 being the highest, please rate the following events:

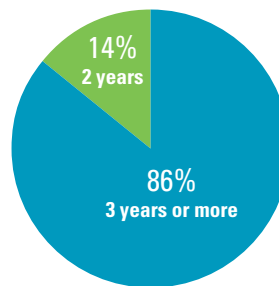


To view the full survey results, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/yale-2021-survey



POST-GRADUATE Y.A.L.E. LEADERS:

How many years were you a member of the Y.A.L.E. program?



If employed, can you specify your position and company?

- Greeter
- Backend Development, IBM
- Marketing & Sales Intern
- Nurse, Baylor Scott & White
- Luis Vuitton
- State Farm

A Sneak Peek at OUR NEW FACILITY!

FLCRC is in the midst of exciting design decisions as contractors prepare for renovations at 821 Hwy 90 A East. To see a sneak peek at conceptual renderings of our new location, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/campaign. Your donation to our *New Triumphs* Capital Campaign will help us complete this beautiful new space. This facility will increase our capacity to offer various services and enable us to host large events. To donate, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/donate.



FLCRC receives Fort Bend County American Rescue Program Grant!

At a press conference on **December 21st**, Fort Bend County leaders announced they will be awarding \$11.5 million in grant funds to nonprofits, including FLCRC. Our Executive Director, Dr. Ilene Harper, shared a positive message at the event.



2021 IN NUMBERS



398
Families Served



110
Crime Victims Served



15
Service Projects Completed by Y.A.L.E. Leaders



357
Volunteer Hours Completed



538
Service Learning Hours Y.A.L.E. Leaders Earned



9
Scholarships and Awards Given



1
Y.A.L.E. Leader Graduated from High School



2
Y.A.L.E. Leaders Graduated from College



\$349,187.00
Total Amount of Donations, Grants & Fundraisers



15
Y.A.L.E. Students Enrolled in College



\$190,000
Total Amount Fundraised for our Capital Campaign

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Fort Bend County MLK Day of Service

Monday, January 17, 2022
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Make a Donation to the *Family First: New Triumphs* Capital Campaign in 2022!

We are on our way to reaching our \$400,000 campaign goal in 2024. Thank you to our generous donors who contributed in 2021! **Interested in becoming a campaign sponsor?** To discover all of the exciting benefits that come with our five sponsorship levels, or to donate to the campaign, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/campaign.



Pre-Y.A.L.E./Y.A.L.E. Orientation Meeting

Saturday, January 22, 2022
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Zoom Meeting
To register, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/yale



Download the FLCRC App!

Have you downloaded the FLCRC App yet? Kick off 2022 by staying better connected with FLCRC. Download the app today on your Apple or Android device—and don't forget to tell your family and friends!



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